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Subject: SI and H Experimentation, 9 October 1951.

On Tuesday, 9 October 1951, [redacted] and the writer conducted SI and H experiments in Room 20, Building 13, with [redacted] and [redacted] as subjects.

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For some time, [redacted] and the writer have felt that straight hypnotic experiments would perhaps become boring and result in a loss of interest by all persons involved. It was, therefore, decided to attempt a different type of experiment for this particular session. With this in mind, it was decided to carry out a very brief ESP experiment involving the standard ESP card deck with [redacted] and [redacted].

The first test consisted of having each girl in turn, turn the entire deck of 25 cards while seated at a small table at one end of the Operations Room. As the word "turn" was said by the writer at ten second intervals, the other girl would be seated during the test at the opposite end of the room on the sofa. The the girl turning the cards would mark down the card turned and the girl receiving would write down one of the five symbols as the thoughts of what card had been turned passed into her mind. The first test was done with both girls completely awake and the results were as follows:

With [redacted] turning and [redacted] receiving, [redacted] scored one match for a total of 4%. With [redacted] turning and [redacted] receiving, [redacted] scored three matches or 12%.

The second test was conducted under exactly the same conditions with both girls in a complete SI state and after a thorough period of instruction while under SI influence. On this test with [redacted] turning and [redacted] receiving, [redacted] scored six matches for a total of 24% and with [redacted] turning and [redacted] receiving, [redacted] scored five matches for a total of 20%.

Since only two tests were run, the results are not considered significant although they are interesting on the basis of the strong increase of both girls, while operating under SI. Further work along these lines will be done as it may have a future value in training, etc.

At the conclusion of the ESP work, the following experiment was conducted by [REDACTED] and the writer:

Both subjects were placed in a deep SI state. [REDACTED] was told to remain in a deep sleep state and [REDACTED] was instructed to follow [REDACTED] into another room. [REDACTED] then instructed [REDACTED] in the taking of pictures with a standard 4 x 5 Graphiflex camera. [REDACTED] then entered the Operations Room with [REDACTED] and took two pictures of [REDACTED]. One picture with [REDACTED] reclining on the sofa and the second with [REDACTED] sitting upright. Then [REDACTED] returned the camera to the other room and again entered the Operations Room, sat on the sofa and went into a deep sleep. At this point, [REDACTED] was induced into a deep sleep state and [REDACTED] thereafter instructed [REDACTED], as he had done [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] returned to the Operations Room, took two pictures of [REDACTED] both in the reclining position and the upright position.

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For a matter of record, it should be noted that [REDACTED] actually took five pictures since the timing mechanism of the camera was off and merely exploded the bulb without operating the trigger mechanism of the camera. At the completion of the tests of taking the pictures, [REDACTED] returned the camera, reentered the Operations Room, sat down on the sofa, and went into a deep sleep state. Both girls were then given instructions for complete amnesia of the whole experiment and were awakened by the writer. In this case, both girls had a total amnesia of the photograph activities and when [REDACTED] showed the camera to both girls they denied having seen one let alone having taken pictures with it.

The above experiment is only of interest in that it helps "normal activity" and individuals for operating complicated mechanisms while in a deep sleep state. It is also interesting in that it shows that individuals operating in a complete sleep state are not awakened by flash bulbs or other disconcerting sounds if properly conditioned.

The pictures in the above test were developed the following morning and only two of the actual four photographs were successful. These are attached for record purposes only.